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Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SEARCHING AND RETRIEVING DOCUMENTS**

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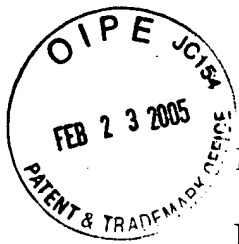
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Sir:

This paper is in response to an Office Action for the above-identified application mailed on November 15, 2004. Claims 1-14 are pending and are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 6,704,728B1 to Chang et al., referred to hereafter as Chang. Reconsideration of the rejections in view of Applicants' remarks and amendments below is respectfully requested.